



Scott L. Morris

Chairman of the Board,
President and Chief
Executive Officer

Avista Corp.

Scott Morris is chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of Avista Corp. He was elected president in May 2006. In February 2007, the board of directors named Morris chairman and chief executive officer of Avista Corp., effective Jan. 1, 2008. Avista Utilities is the company's regulated operating division. It serves over 348,000 electric customers in eastern Washington and northern Idaho and provides natural gas service to 305,000 customers in eastern Washington, northern Idaho and parts of Oregon. The company's primary unregulated subsidiary is Advantage IQ.

Morris is an experienced utility executive who has served in a variety of leadership positions in his 26 years with the company. He began his career with Avista in 1981 in the company's utility marketing division. In 1982, he was promoted to customer service supervisor, and in 1984 he became construction/customer service superintendent. In 1988 Morris was promoted to customer service manager, and in 1991 he was promoted to general manager for Avista's Oregon and California utility business, serving in that position until being named president of Avista Utilities in 2000. Additionally, Morris was elected a corporate vice president in November 2000, and in February 2002 he was elected a senior vice president for Avista Corp.

Morris is a graduate of Gonzaga University and received his master's degree from Gonzaga in organizational leadership. He also attended the Stanford Business School Financial Management Program and the Kidder Peabody School of Financial Management.

Morris is an active and involved member of the community. He serves on the boards of the Washington Roundtable and Greater Spokane Incorporated. He is on the board of trustees for Gonzaga University and is a board member of the Western Energy Institute. In addition, he is a member of the board of directors for ReliOn.

Morris completed a one-year term as board chairman of the Spokane Regional Chamber of Commerce in 2004. He also chaired the Washington Economic Development Commission for four years, a position he was appointed to by former Gov. Gary Locke in 2002. Morris is a past board member for Providence Health Services.

Morris and his wife, Liz, are the parents of four children.